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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: One bill and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2816, and S. Res. 359–360.

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Measures Passed:

Human Rights Enforcement Act: Senate passed S. 1472, to establish a section within the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice to enforce human rights laws, to make technical and conforming amendments to criminal and immigration laws pertaining to human rights violations, after agreeing to the committee amendments.

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Select Committee on Ethics: Senate agreed to S. Res. 359, to make temporary appointments to the Select Committee on Ethics. Page S11976

Honoring Prime Minister of India: Senate agreed to S. Res. 360, honoring the Prime Minister of India, Dr. Manmohan Singh, for his service to the people of India and to the world, and welcoming the Prime Minister to the United States. Pages S11976–77

Measures Considered:

Service Members Home Ownership Tax Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of H.R. 3590, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the first-time homebuyers credit in the case of members of the Armed Forces and certain other Federal employees, after agreeing to the motion to the proceed, and taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: Page S11907–67

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 2786, in the nature of a substitute. Page S11967

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 353), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the bill at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, November 30, 2009, with Senator Reid, or his designee, permitted to offer the first amendment to Reid Amendment No. 2786 (listed above); provided further, that Senator McConnell, or his designee, be permitted to offer the next amendment to Reid Amendment No. 2786 (listed above), with no other amendments in order during the session of Monday, November 30, 2009.

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Authorizing Leadership To Make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate Pro Tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

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Nguyen Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, December 1, 2009, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Jacqueline H. Nguyen, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California; that debate with respect to the nomination be limited to 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled between Senators Leahy and Sessions, or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Abdul K. Kallon, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

Kenyen Ray Brown, of Alabama, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Alabama for the term of four years.

Stephanie M. Rose, of Iowa, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Iowa for the term of four years.